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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Office Action mailed from the USPTO on May 12, 2008 having a due date for response of August 12, 2009. A Petition for Extension of Time for Two Months is submitted herewith together with the petition fee thereby extending the due date to October 12, 2009. It is believed that no additional fees are necessary. However, if any fees are due, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment.